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SUBJECT: VISIT OF GUINEAN PRESIDENT TO SAUDI ARABIA

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1. POL COUN MADE POINTS IN REFTEL IN CONVERSATION WITH MFA
DIRECTOR AFRICAN AND ASIAN AFFAIRS AHMAD SIRAJ ON APRIL 18.
SIRAJ SAID THAT NO COMMUNICATION CONCERNING POSSIBLE SEKOU
TOURE VISIT HAD COME ACROSS HIS DESK. EVEN IF TOURE ASKS
TO COME TO SAUDI ARABIA, VISIT WILL NOT BE APPROVED UNTIL
AFTER RAMADAN. (RAMADAN ENDS SEPTEMBER 2.) KING IS
FULLY OCCUPIED UNTIL THEN.
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2. SIRAJ VOLUNTEERED THAT SAG WAS HEARTENED BY SAKOU
TOURE'S INCREASING TENDENCY TOWARD MORE MODERATE POLICY
STANCES. IT BELIEVES THAT TOURE HAS BEGUN TO BE DISIL-
LUSIONED WITH USSR AND THAT WITH A LITTLE ASSISTANCE WITH
HIS ECONOMIC PROBLEMS, HE CAN BE ENCOURAGED TO MOVE
AWAY FROM SOVIETS ENTIRELY. SIRAJ NOTED THAT IMAM OF

MECCA HAS BEEN ANNUAL VISITOR TO GUINEA AT PERSONAL INVITATION OF TOURE. HE SAW THIS AS SIGN THAT TOURE WAS REAFFIRMING ISLAMIC VALUES.

3. COMMENT WHILE SIRAJ DID NOT SAY SO, POL COUN GOT DISTINCT IMPRESSION THAT SAG WAS CONSIDERING SOME ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE FOR GUINEA.
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